

REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are pending and remain in the application. Claims 1, 6, 11, 12, 14, 19, 24, 25, 27, 28, 36, and 44 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced.

5 The drawings stand subject to objection under 37 CFR 1.84. FIGURES 4(A)-(C) and 12(A)-(B) and the corresponding paragraphs in the specification have been amended. FIGURES 5 and 6 have been amended to delete reference numbers 73, 83, and 85. The specification has been amended to address the remaining objections to the drawings. Replacement drawings figures, consisting
10 of fifteen (15) sheets, are included with this response. No new matter has been added. Approval of the drawing amendments and withdrawal of the objection are requested.

 The specification stands subject to objection for informalities. The specification has been amended. No new matter has been entered. Withdrawal of
15 the objection is requested.

 Claims 1-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1, 6, 11, 12, 14, 19, 24, 25, 27, 28, 36, and 44 have been amended. Support for the claim amendments can be found in the specification on page 9, lines 9-13 and page 11, lines 8-10. No new matter has been entered.
20 Withdrawal of the rejection for indefiniteness is requested.

 Claims 1, 8-14, 21-32, 34-40, and 42-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,778,998 issued to Gallivan ("Gallivan"). A Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 establishing that the Gallivan reference is commonly owned by Attenex Corporation is included with this
25 response. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §103(c), Gallivan is not available or operable to preclude patentability of the invention claimed. In light of the submitted, Declaration, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) is respectfully requested.

 The prior art made of record and not relied upon has been reviewed by the
30 applicant and is considered to be no more pertinent than the prior art references

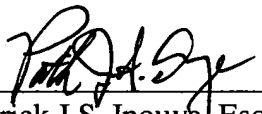
already applied.

Examination and further consideration of the application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-44 are believed to be in a condition for allowance. Entry of the foregoing amendments is requested and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. Please contact the undersigned at (206) 381-3900 regarding any questions or concerns associated with the present matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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